



Spruce Creek High School AVID

a college preparatory program

801 Taylor Road

Port Orange, Florida 32127

(386)322-6272

AVID Application: 2018-2019 school year

Due: April 4, 2018

We will begin contacting candidates in early April to set up interviews. The recruitment team will mail acceptance/waitlist notifications the week of **May 14-18, 2018**.

An incomplete application packet may prevent a student from being considered for participation in the AVID program. Please submit all of the following documents for review:

Completed Teacher Recommendation Forms
(Language Arts and math required – 3rd recommendation optional)

Completed student Questionnaire

Signed AVID Student Agreement (parent and student signatures)

Submit all documents to: **Susan Henderson, AVID Coordinator**
Spruce Creek High School
801 Taylor Road
Port Orange, FL 32127
skhender@volusia.k12.fl.us

Student Information:

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|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Last Name | | First Name | Current Grade Level | ADULT T-Shirt Size |
| Street Number and Name | | City | Zip Code | |
| E-mail | | Parent/Guardian Name | | |
| Home Phone Number | Cell Phone Number | Best Days/Times to Call | | |

This information will help us identify students who best fit the AVID program. The information is confidential and will only be used by the AVID site team for placement into the AVID program.

Previously enrolled in AVID: Yes No If yes, circle all grade levels in the AVID elective: 6 7 8 9

Please write the middle school you attended prior to beginning high school: _____

Has anyone in your immediate family (mom, dad, brother, sister) graduated from college with a Bachelor's Degree? _____yes _____no If yes, who? _____

Ethnic Background (check all that apply):

- African American
- Native American/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Filipino
- Hispanic/Latino
- White
- Pacific Islander
- Other: _____

What main language(s) do you speak at home? _____

What challenges will you face going in to college?

- I will need scholarships to pay for college because my family may not be able to afford college
- I will need information about how to apply for colleges and scholarships
- I will need help finding the right colleges for me
- I will need information about the right classes to take in order to get into college
- I will need help studying and staying organized so that I can maintain good grades in high school
- I will need help choosing dual enrollment courses to take during high school
- I will need help creating a resume and learning how to get letters of recommendation
- I will need help learning about the importance of maintaining a high GPA in high school
- I need help getting involved in clubs/extracurricular activities at Spruce Creek

Are you eligible for free or reduced lunch? Yes No Unsure

Please list all persons living in your household and their relationship to you:

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|-------|-------|
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences, and as thoroughly as possible! This is a writing sample, and we are interested not only in the content of your answers, but in your writing ability as well.

1. Why do you want to be in the AVID program at Spruce Creek High School? What qualities will you bring to the program?

2. What do you think it means to be college, career and life ready?

3. What four adjectives would you use to describe yourself?

4. What extracurricular activities are you currently involved in, both in and out of school (sports, clubs, community service, employment)

5. Use the lines below to tell me more about yourself.

****Please sign this sample contract as an indication of your understanding of the AVID expectations**

A.V.I.D. 2018-2019 CONTRACT

AVID is a program which prepares students for four-year college eligibility and success.

Student Goals:

1. Academic success in college preparatory courses.
2. Successful completion of college eligibility requirements.
3. Enrollment in a four-year college or university after high school graduation.

Student Responsibilities:

1. I am a LEADER at ALL times. I will take responsibility for my own learning/actions, and will maintain satisfactory citizenship and attendance in all of my classes. All of my social media accounts, texts, and e-mail will remain appropriate, positive, and respectful.
2. I will maintain a minimum 3.0 overall GPA or will be placed on a probationary contract.
3. I will stay on track to graduate high school in 4 years, earning all required credits and passing all required assessments.
4. I will check my grades online every week, and will set goals to ensure my grades are satisfactory (B or higher) in every class.
5. I will maintain enrollment in all college-prep courses, including Honors, Dual Enrollment, Advanced Placement and/or International Baccalaureate all 4 years of high school.
6. I will be an active learner, be prepared for all classes with all assigned work completed, take Cornell Notes, and be an active participant in all activities.
7. I will come prepared for tutorial sessions by bringing my completed TRF, my AVID binder with Cornell Notes, and my textbooks. I will participate actively in tutorials.
8. I will pursue leadership/participation in extracurricular activities and will complete community service (Goal 100+ hours by senior year).
9. I will prepare for and take college entrance exams such as the PSAT, PERT, ACT, and SAT.
10. I will participate in AVID Field Study, Fundraising, and Team Building opportunities.

Student Agreement:

I agree to accept enrollment into the AVID Elective class, which will offer academic support to me. I want to succeed and I understand that I must take individual responsibility for my own success. I understand I will be allowed to remain in the program only if I meet the student responsibilities outlined above. I understand that this is a choice and a responsibility. **I am choosing to take ownership of my education and my future. No one can do the work for me. I commit to working hard and using every resource provided to me.**

Student Signature

Support Agreement:

We agree to support the efforts of this student in meeting the goals outlined above. We will strive to keep his/her best interests in mind, guide him/her toward his/her goals, and encourage him/her whenever possible.

AVID Coordinator/Elective Teacher Signature

Parent Signature

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APPLICATION FOR AVID
TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Applicant's Name _____

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Please return this form **Susan Henderson at Spruce Creek High School** no later than April 6, 2018.
(middle school teachers may return to the 8th grade guidance counselor to be forwarded).

Rate the student in the following categories:

Academic Rating

- _____ 1. Academic Interests
- _____ 2. Study Habits
- _____ 3. Motivation
- _____ 4. Writing Ability

Rating Scale

- 5 = Superior
- 4 = Excellent
- 3 = Above Average
- 2 = Average

Character Rating

- _____ 1. Maturity
- _____ 2. Leadership
- _____ 3. Cooperation
- _____ 4. Personal Conduct
- _____ 5. Concern/respect for others

Check One:

- _____ I **strongly recommend** the applicant
- _____ I **recommend** the applicant
- _____ I **do not recommend** the applicant

Please comment below, attach or email any additional information that could be helpful in evaluating this candidate. Your recommendation will remain confidential. skhender@volusia.k12.fl.us

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